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Water System Name: SLEEPY VALLEY WATER CO., INC. Report Date: April 2012

We test the drinking water quality for many constituents as required by state and federal regulations. This report shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 - December 31, 2011

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua beber. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Type of water source(s) in use: According to DHS records, this Source is Groundwater. This Assessment was done using the Default Groundwater System Method.

Your water comes from 2 sources: Well 01 and Well 02.

For more information about this report, or for any questions relating to your drinking water, please call (661)298-4044 and ask for Laurie Jenkins or call (661)367-6020 and ask for Dan O'Connor, or call (661)251-7238 and ask for Debra Pressly.

TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT:

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. Primary MCLs are set as close to the PHGs (or MCLGs) as is economically and technologically feasible. Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste, and appearance of drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs are set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Public Health Goal (PHG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. PHGs are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Primary Drinking Water Standards (PDWS): MCLs for contaminants that affect health along with their monitoring and reporting requirements, and water treatment requirements.

Secondary Drinking Water Standards (SDWS): MCLs for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. Contaminants with SDWSs do not affect the health at the MCL levels.

Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Regulatory Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Variances and Exemptions: Department permission to exceed an MCL or not comply with a treatment technique under certain conditions.

ND: not detectable at testing limit

ppm: parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

ppb: parts per billion or micrograms per liter (µg/L)

ppt: parts per trillion or nanograms per liter (ng/L)

ppq: parts per quadrillion or picograms per liter (pg/L)

pCi/l: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

The sources of drinking water(both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, spring, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

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Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- *Microbial contaminants*, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- *Inorganic contaminants*, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- *Pesticides and herbicides*, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- *Radioactive contaminants*, which can be naturally occurring or the result of oil production and mining activities.
- *Organic chemical contaminants*, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the California Department of Health Services (Department) prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Department regulations also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide the same protection for public health.

Tables 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 list all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected during the most recent sampling for the constituents. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. The Department allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, are more than one year old.

TABLE 1 - SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING THE DETECTION OF COLIFORM BACTERIA

Microbiological Contaminants (complete if bacteria detected)	Highest No. of Detections	No. of Months in Violation	MCL	MCLG	Typical Sources of Contaminant
Total Coliform Bacteria	1/mo. (2011)	0	no more than 1 positive monthly sample	0	Naturally present in the environment.

TABLE 2 - SAMPLING RESULTS SHOWING THE DETECTION OF LEAD AND COPPER

Lead and Copper (complete if lead or copper detected in the last sample set)	No. of Samples Collected	90th Percentile Level	No. Site Exceeding AL	AL	PHG	Typical Sources of Contaminant
Lead (Pb) (ppb)	5 (2011)	2.10	0	15	0.2	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from industrial manufacturers, erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	5 (2011)	0.194	0	1.3	.17	Internal corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives

TABLE 3 - SAMPLING RESULTS FOR SODIUM AND HARDNESS

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL (MRDL)	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Sources of Contaminant
Sodium (ppm)	2011	59	58 - 60	none	none	Salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring
Hardness (ppm)	2011	494	488 - 499	none	none	Sum of polyvalent cations present in the water, generally magnesium and calcium, and are usually naturally occurring

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TABLE 4 - DETECTION OF CONTAMINANTS WITH A PRIMARY DRINKING WATER STANDARD

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL (MRDL)	PHG (MCLG) (MRDLG)	Typical Sources of Contaminant
Barium (Ba) ppm	2011	0.08	0.08 - 0.08	1	2	Discharge from oil drilling wastes and from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Chromium (Total Cr) ppb	2011	2	2 - 2	50.0	n/a	Discharge from steel and pulp mills and chrome plating; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (F) ppm	2011	0.35	0.3 - 0.4	2	1	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Mercury ppb	2011	0.02	0.02 - 0.02	2	1.2	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from refineries and factories; runoff from landfills and cropland
Nitrate (NO3) ppm	2011	21.9	6 - 31	45	45	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate + Nitrite as N ppm	2011	6.68	6.4 - 7.0	10	10	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Selenium (Se) ppb	2011	2.5	2 - 3	50	30	Discharge from petroleum, glass, and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines and chemical manufacturers; runoff from livestock lots(feed additive)
Gross Alpha pCi/L	2009	3.3	2 - 4	15	n/a	Erosion of natural deposits.
Uranium pCi/L	2009	3.1	2 - 4	20	0.5	Erosion of natural deposits

Note: The MCL (MRDL) for Nitrate is based on the total of nitrate and nitrite. The MCLG (MRDLG) for Nitrate is based on nitrate only.

TABLE 5 - DETECTION OF CONTAMINANTS WITH A SECONDARY DRINKING WATER STANDARD

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	MCL (MRDL)	PHG (MCLG)	Typical Sources of Contaminant
Chloride ppm	2011	101	96 - 107	500	n/a	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
Color (Unfiltered) Units	2011	10	9 - 10	15	n/a	Naturally-occurring organic materials
Iron (Fe) ppb	2011	30	ND - 100	300	n/a	Leaching from natural deposits; Industrial wastes
Specific Conductance umhos/cm	2011	1160	1140 - 1180	1600	n/a	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence
Sulfate (SO4) ppm	2011	118	116 - 121	500	n/a	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
TDS ppm	2011	698	690 - 710	1000	n/a	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits

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TABLE 6 - DETECTION OF UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS

Chemical or Constituent (and reporting units)	Sample Date	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Notification Level	Health Effects Language
Boron ppm	2011	0.2	0.1 - 0.2 (2011)	1	The babies of some pregnant women who drink water containing boron in excess of the notification level may have an increased risk of developmental effects, based on studies in laboratory animals.

Additional General Information on Drinking Water

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care provider. USEPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

For Lead (Pb), If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. **SLEEPY VALLEY WATER CO., INC.** is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at www.epa.gov/lead.

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Summary Information for Contaminants Exceeding an MCL, MHDL, or MCLG a State Periodic or
Treatment Technique or Monitoring and Reporting Requirement

For Nitrate (NO3) results above 23 ppm (50% of the MCL) but below 45 ppm (the MCL): Nitrate in drinking water at level above 45 mg/L is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. Such nitrate levels in drinking water can interfere with the capacity of the infant's blood to carry oxygen, resulting in a serious illness; symptoms include shortness of breath and blueness of the skin. Nitrate levels above 45 mg/L may also affect the ability of the blood to carry oxygen in other individuals, such as pregnant women and those with certain specific enzyme deficiencies. If you are caring for an infant, or you are pregnant, you should ask advice from your health care provider.

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Drinking Water Source Assessment Information

Assessment Info

A source water assessment was conducted for the WELL 01 and WELL 02 of the SLEEPY VALLEY WATER CO., INC. water system in July, 2002.

Well 01 - is considered most vulnerable to the following activities not associated with any detected contaminants:

Septic systems - low density [$<1/\text{acre}$]

Well 02 - is considered most vulnerable to the following activities not associated with any detected contaminants:

Septic systems - low density [$<1/\text{acre}$]

Discussion of Vulnerability

Well 01 is located in a secured shed and is within a secured fenced area. There are no industrial or commercial types of activities around the well. The well is surrounded by large residential lots which are on onsite sewage disposal systems. These lots are also approved for horses. large stable were not noted within 1000 feet of the well locations. There has been no violations of the Coliform rule at this facility. There has been no recorded MCL violations and the bacteriological monthly testing is conducted by an independent laboratory and the reports submitted to the Los Angeles County Health Department and no contaminations have been reported at any time. Onsite sewage system approvals and installations must be conducted around the well location to assure groundwater protection.

Well 02 is located in a secured shed and is within a secured fenced area. There are no industrial or commercial types of activities around the well. The well is surrounded by large residential lots which are on onsite sewage disposal systems. These lots are also approved for horses. large stable were not noted within 1000 feet of the well locations. There has been no violations of the Coliform rule at this facility. There has been no recorded MCL violations and the bacteriological monthly testing is conducted by an independent laboratory and the reports submitted to the Los Angeles County Health Department and no contaminations have been reported at any time. Onsite sewage system approvals and installations must be conducted around the well location to assure groundwater protection.

Acquiring Info

A copy of the complete assessment may be viewed at:

Los Angeles County Environmental Health

5050 Commerce Place

Baldwin Park, CA 91706

You may request a summary of the assessment be sent to you by contacting:

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